

Public Notice – Environmental Permit

PURPOSE OF NOTICE: To seek public comment on a draft permit from the Department of Environmental Quality that will allow the release of treated wastewater into a water body in Rappahannock County, Virginia.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: XXX, 2013 to XXX, 2013

PERMIT NAME: Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit – Wastewater issued by DEQ, under the authority of the State Water Control Board.

APPLICANT NAME, ADDRESS AND PERMIT NUMBER: Town of Washington, 485 Gay St., P.O. Box 7. Washington, VA 22747, VA0091651

NAME AND ADDRESS OF FACILITY: Rush River Wastewater Treatment Plant, 564 Warren Ave, Washington, VA 22747

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Town of Washington has applied for a reissuance of a permit for the public Rush River Wastewater Treatment Plant. The applicant proposes to treated sewage wastewaters from residential areas at a rate of 0.060 million gallons per day into a water body. The facility proposes to discharge treated sewage in the Rush River in Rappahannock County in the Rappahannock watershed. A watershed is the land area drained by a river and its incoming streams. The permit will limit the following pollutants to amounts that protect water quality: pH, Total Suspended Solids, Dissolved Oxygen, Carbonaceous Biological Oxygen Demand, *E. coli*, Total Phosphorus, Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen, and Total Nitrogen. The permit will require the following to be monitored and reported: Flow, Nitrate+Nitrite.

This facility is subject to the requirements of 9VAC25-820 and has registered for coverage under the General VPDES Watershed Permit Regulation for Total Nitrogen and Total Phosphorus Discharges and Nutrient Trading in the Chesapeake Watershed in Virginia.

HOW TO COMMENT AND/OR REQUEST A PUBLIC HEARING: DEQ accepts comments and requests for public hearing by hand-delivery, e-mail, or postal mail. All comments and requests must be in writing and be received by DEQ during the comment period. Submittals must include the names, mailing addresses and telephone numbers of the commenter/requester and of all persons represented by the commenter/requester. A request for public hearing must also include: 1) The reason why a public hearing is requested. 2) A brief, informal statement regarding the nature and extent of the interest of the requester or of those represented by the requester, including how and to what extent such interest would be directly and adversely affected by the permit. 3) Specific references, where possible, to terms and conditions of the permit with suggested revisions. A public hearing may be held, including another comment period, if public response is significant, based on individual requests for a public hearing, and there are substantial, disputed issues relevant to the permit.

CONTACT FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS, DOCUMENT REQUESTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: The public may review the draft permit and application at the DEQ-Northern Regional Office by appointment, or may request electronic copies of the draft permit and fact sheet.

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